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Major General A. R. Belling, GSC Sating Director of Intelligence Description of the Army Washington 25, D.C.

Dear General Bollings

The arrangements which you have made for a small number of specially cleared analysts from CLA to view METRIC intelligence materials in Mider Whalen's custody have proven very satisfactory, and Major Whalen's unfalling cooperation with our people is warmly appreciated.

The question has been raised a number of times as to whether it might not be desirable to establish a sub-registry for METRIC within CIA. This step would, of course, remove from your people the burden of providing special services and working space for our analysts, and would enable authorized CIA personnel to perform their work sithout the necessity of making daily trips to the Pentagon.

May I ask that you give consideration to this question? If it proves feasible to establish a sub-registry in CIA, we contemplate placing it in Room 1529 of the Temperary M Building, under the direct supervision of the CIA Top Secret Control Officer and Archivist.

Sincerely,

signed - will be

R. H. HILLENKOETTER by oc Rear Admiral, USE Director of Central Intelligence

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